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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.88 million head on September 1, 2009. The inventory was one percent below September 1, 2008.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.11 million, two percent above 2008. Net placements were 2.06 million head. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 425,000, 600-699 pounds were 395,000, 700-799 pounds were 515,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 775,000. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.81 million, four percent below 2008. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of August since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 55,000 during August, 12 percent above 2008.

CATTLE ON FEED: U.S. Cattle Placed on Feed, by Weight Groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, August 2008, July and August 2009

Month		Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
<i>1,000 head</i>						
August	2008	365	410	566	720	2,061
July	2009	455	365	458	585	1,863
August	2009	425	395	515	775	2,110

CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED, 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, AND UNITED STATES

State	Number on feed August 1		Placed during August		Marketed during August		Other disappearance during August		Number on feed September 1	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
<i>1,000 head</i>										
AZ	357	275	33	28	27	27	1	1	362	275
CA	515	450	37	53	45	46	2	2	505	455
CO	750	850	190	205	165	190	5	5	770	860
ID	180	195	45	42	44	40	1	2	180	195
IA	475	510	72	74	75	73	2	1	470	510
KS	2,010	1,920	520	550	430	405	10	15	2,090	2,050
NE	1,920	1,920	445	460	395	350	10	10	1,960	2,020
NM	164	(D)	27	(D)	23	(D)	1	(D)	167	(D)
OK	290	310	70	73	54	56	1	2	305	325
SD	170	190	28	36	32	40	1	1	165	185
TX	2,590	2,510	510	500	510	490	10	10	2,580	2,510
WA	133	138	36	31	30	28	1	1	138	140
Oth.Sts. ^{1/}	315	*369	48	58	54	65	4	5	305	357
U.S.	9,869	*9,637	2,061	2,110	1,884	1,810	49	55	9,997	9,882

*Revised

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

^{1/} 2009 includes N.M.

CHICKENS AND EGGS

FLORIDA

Table egg production in Florida during August 2009 was 216 million eggs, one percent above the previous month. Total egg production was 220 million eggs compared to 219 million eggs the previous month.

UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.59 billion during August 2009, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.51 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type and 72 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during August 2009 averaged 332 million, down one percent from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,284 eggs, up one percent from August 2008.

All layers in the U.S. on September 1, 2009 totaled 333 million, down one percent from last year. The 333 million layers consisted of 277 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 52.7 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.95 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on September 1, 2009, averaged 73.8 eggs per 100 layers, up one percent from September 1, 2008.

LAYERS AND EGGS: Selected States and U.S., August 2009

Selected States	Avg. layers on hand	Egg production	Rate of lay
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Millions</i>	
Alabama	9,006	176	63.0
Arkansas	11,873	247	67.1
California	19,740	456	74.5
Florida	9,705	220	73.1
Georgia	17,210	372	69.7
Indiana	23,087	527	73.6
Iowa	53,643	1,230	74.0
Maine	3,417	77	72.7
Maryland	2,021	47	75.0
Michigan	9,695	244	81.2
Minnesota	10,147	234	74.4
Mississippi	5,565	116	67.2
Missouri	7,184	168	75.4
Nebraska	9,645	236	78.9
New York	4,057	100	79.5
North Carolina	12,578	263	67.5
Ohio	26,021	603	74.8
Pennsylvania	22,490	550	78.9
South Carolina	4,516	96	68.6
Texas	17,438	399	73.8
Virginia	3,148	64	65.6
Washington	6,116	141	74.4
United States	332,296	7,590	73.7

HOGS AND PIGS

UNITED STATES HOG AND PIGS

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2009 was 66.6 million head. This was down two percent from September 1, 2008 but up one percent from June 1, 2009.

Breeding inventory, at 5.87 million head, was down three percent from last year and down two percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.8 million head, was down two percent from last year but up one percent from last quarter.

The June-August 2009 pig crop, at 28.8 million head, was down two percent from 2008 and down one percent from 2007. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, down four percent from 2008 and down five percent from 2007. Sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 9.70 for the June-August 2009 period, compared to 9.51 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.40 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.80 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.94 million sows farrow during the September-November 2009 quarter, down three percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2008 and down eight percent from 2007. Intended farrowings for December 2009-February 2010, at 2.93 million sows, are down three percent from 2009 and down five percent from 2008. The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 46 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 43 percent last year.

HOGS AND PIGS: Inventory number, sows farrowing and pig crop, 2008-09, United States

Item	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	1,000 head		
SEPTEMBER 1 INVENTORY:			
All hogs and pigs	68,196	66,626	98
Kept for breeding	6,061	5,874	97
Market	62,135	60,752	98
MARKET HOGS AND PIGS			
BY WEIGHT GROUPS:			
Under 60 pounds	22,683	2,837	96
60 – 119 pounds	15,397	15,078	98
120 - 179 pounds	12,855	12,674	99
180 pounds and over	11,201	11,163	100
SOWS FARROWING:			
December-February ^{1/}	3,071	3,024	98
March-May	3,052	2,971	97
December-May ^{1/}	6,123	5,995	98
June-August	3,075	2,966	96
September-November ^{2/}	3,028	2,935	97
June-November ^{3/}	6,103	5,901	97
PIG CROP:			
December-February ^{1/}	28,387	28,673	101
March-May	28,630	28,547	100
December-May ^{1/}	57,017	57,220	100
June-August	29,240	28,772	98

^{1/} December preceding year.

^{2/} Intentions for 2009.

^{3/} Actual farrowings for Jun-Aug plus intentions for Sep-Nov.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

The August hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 3.64 million, was 25 percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on September 1, at 2.68 million, was 33 percent below a year ago.

UNITED STATES

Broiler-type chicks hatched during August 2009 totaled 778 million, down three percent from August 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 618 million on September 1, 2009, down three percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.13 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during August 2009, down seven percent from August 2008.

Egg-type chicks hatched during August 2009 totaled 37.2 million, up four percent from August 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 36.5 million on September 1, 2009, up slightly from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 291 thousand during August 2009, up four percent from August 2008.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES

Item	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	<i>Thousands</i>		
EGG-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Sep 1	36,422	36,523	100
Chicks hatched during Aug	35,578	37,160	104
Pullets hatched during Aug for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	279	291	104
7-18 months earlier ^{1/}	2,915	3,000	103
BROILER-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators Sep 1	637,383	617,774	97
Chicks hatched during Aug	799,059	777,996	97
Pullets hatched during Aug for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	7,697	7,128	93
7-15 months earlier ^{2/}	66,490	64,206	97

^{1/}2009 includes pullet chicks hatched Feb 2008 through Jan 2009.

^{2/}2009 includes pullet chicks hatched May 2008 through Jan 2009.

MILK PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 150 million pounds of milk during August 2009, one percent above the previous August. Production per cow in August of 1,320 pounds was six percent above August of last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in August totaled 114 thousand, five percent below last year.

UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 14.6 billion pounds, down 0.2 percent from August 2008. July revised production at 14.8 billion pounds, was down slightly from July 2008. The July revision represented a decrease of 13 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,743 pounds for August, 25 pounds above August 2008.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.37 million head, 143,000 head less than August 2008, and 28,000 head less than July 2009.

MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND U.S.

Month and year	Milk cows	Monthly milk production	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	<i>Thous.</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>
FLORIDA:			
August 2008	120	1,240	149
July 2009	115	1,450	167
August 2009	114	1,320	150
23 MAJOR STATES:			
August 2008	8,515	1,718	14,626
July 2009	8,400	1,767	14,845
August 2009	8,372	1,743	14,594
UNITED STATES:			
August 2008	9,331	1,689	15,757
July 2009	9,190	1,739	15,984
August 2009	9,160	1,716	15,715

MILK PRODUCTION BY QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

Month	Milk cows ^{1/}		Milk per cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>	
Jan-Mar	9,286	9,295	5,127	5,096	47,610	47,363
Apr-Jun	9,315	9,259	5,236	5,277	48,774	48,860
Jul-Sep	9,330		5,025		46,881	
Oct-Dec	9,330		5,008		46,727	
Annual Total	9,315		20,396		189,992	

^{1/} Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

^{2/} Excludes milk fed to calves.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for August 2009 was 9.0 million pounds, one percent below the August 2008.

Commercial production of red meat in the United States for August at 4.08 billion pounds was one percent below August 2008.

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER AND RED MEAT PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES

Source and kind	August 2008	July 2009	August 2009	Year to date 2008	Year to date 2009
FLORIDA					
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	6.9	7.6	8.2	59.9	49.1
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	769	936	951	7,784	7,285
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.7	2.6
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	17	14	14	108	132
Red meat production (million pounds) ^{1/}	9.1	9.1	9.0	66.4	67.1
UNITED STATES					
CATTLE:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	2,908.3	2,920.6	2,781.9	23,298.6	22,281.1
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,724	3,731	3,587	29,541	28,593
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,284	1,282	1,293	1,272	1,288
Beef production (million pounds)	2,266.8	2,270.5	2,184.2	17,909	17,304.4
CALVES:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	79.2	79.9	76.7	598.4	605.6
Total liveweight (million pounds)	19	18	18	156	151
Average liveweight (pounds)	245	230	234	265	253
Veal production (million pounds)	11.2	10.8	10.6	92.2	89.5
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	9,263.7	9,146.7	9,337.0	76,268.3	74,035.0
Total liveweight (million pounds)	2,415	2,445	2,500	20,395	20,009
Average liveweight (pounds)	261	267	268	268	270
Pork production (million pounds)	1,803.9	1,828.3	1,868.4	15,272.9	14,995.7
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	200.2	207.4	202.9	1,683.2	1,618.6
Total liveweight (million pounds)	26	28	27	232	229
LAMB AND MUTTON (million pounds)	13.3	13.9	13.3	116.0	111.6
Red meat production (million pounds) ^{1/}	4,095.2	*4,123.5	4,076.6	33,390.3	32,501.1

*Revised.

^{1/}Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.